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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Acting Assistant Director for Operations

DATE: 13 November 1951

FROM : Chief, Foreign Documents Division

SUBJECT: Exploitation of Russian Scientific Periodicals for  
Intelligence Information

REFER : (a) Memo from AD/CD to G-2, A-2, ONI, IAD and AEC dtd 5 April 1951, same subject  
(b) Memo from Chief, Intelligence Division, G-2 to AD/CD dtd 30 April 1951  
(c) Memo from DNI to DCI (Attn: AD/CD) dtd 1 May 1951  
(d) Memo from Acting Chief, Acquisition and Distribution Division, Dept. of State to AD/CD dtd 19 June 1951  
(e) Ltr from Deputy Director of Intelligence, AEC to AD/CD dtd 9 August 1951  
(f) Memo from Acting Chief, Collection Control Branch, Collection Division, Directorate of Intelligence, USAF to DCI (Attn: OCD) dtd 17 October 1951

1. At the request of the Assistant Director for Collection and Dissemination (Ref. a), the IAC agencies surveyed their respective organizations to determine whether the methods of FDD exploitation of scientific periodicals was satisfactory as published in "Periodical Abstracts," and whether changes or additional methods were desired. The answers of the Agencies disclose that:

Department of the Army desires an unchanged continuation of this exploitation with emphasis on certain scientific fields of interest. (Ref. b)

Department of the Navy desires continued exploitation by FDD with greater capacity to handle a larger volume of specific requests for searches and translations. (Ref. c)

Department of State has no unit concerned with scientific and technical intelligence, but would like to see FDD production made available to US industry and research. (Ref. d)

Atomic Energy Commission finds the present method of reporting satisfactory. (Ref. e)

Department of the Air Force desires unchanged continuation of "Periodical Abstracts" and outlines its priority subject fields. (Ref. f)

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2. Conclusions

The conclusions are that:

a. "Periodical Abstracts" are needed by the IAC agencies excepting the Department of State and should be continued.

b. No changes in the format or methods of exploitation should be made.

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